

REMARKS

Claims 1–11 and 14–23 are pending in the application. Claims 14 and 15 and the Specification have been amended according to suggestions provided by the Examiner in the non-final Office Action dated April 15, 2010 (hereinafter “the Office Action”).

Allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Rejection of Claims 14 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 101

In Section 2 of the Office Action claims 14 and 15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is alleged to be directed to non-statutory subject matter. It is suggested in the Office Action that “[t]he 101 rejection can be overcome if 1) the claim recites ‘non-transitory’ medium and 2) the specification is amended to recite that the medium is ‘non-transitory’ respectively.” As presented above, the claims 14 and 15 and Specification have been amended accordingly.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the rejection of claims 14 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 should be overcome. Applicant therefore respectfully requests withdrawal of this rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 1–11 and 16–23 are deemed allowable in the Office Action.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims in the present application are in a condition for allowance, which is earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or overpayments that may be due with this response to Deposit Account No. **17-0026**.

Respectfully submitted,

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